Village of Oak Park Environment & Energy Commission (EEC) – Meeting Minutes December 4, 2018

Location: Village of Oak Park Village Hall Room 124

Attendees: Nick Bridge (Chair), Stephen Morales (Commissioner), Elizabeth Judson (Commissioner), Laura Derks (Commissioner), Mindy Agnew (Staff Liaison)

Call to Order: 7:00pm – The December 4, 2018 meeting of the Village of Oak Park Environment & Energy Commission (EEC) was called to order.

The November 6, 2018 minutes were reviewed and discussed by the committee members. Revisions to the minutes were provided by Commissioners and the minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Agenda Item: Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Bridge provided an update on communications to the schools about renewable energy opportunity incentives and planned to attend the next District 200 School Board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Agenda Item: Staff Report - Discussion / Action Items

Mindy Agnew, Staff Liaison, gave an update on the Rain Ready storm water runoff grant program in Oak Park on behalf of CNT Rain Ready staff. They were not able to attend due to an unexpected accident. It was reported that 30 Rain Ready installations were completed in Oak Park that divert about 230,000 gallons of water from storm water runoff.

Agenda Item: Disposable Plastics/Straws report update

Commissioners Morales and Judson gave an update on the final version of the report that the Commission submitted to the Village Board of Trustees. The final version consists of a single page report summary with supporting documents on facts and ordinances other cities adopted to reduce single-use plastics. Mindy Agnew will prepare an agenda item summary and let the Commissioners know when the report will be included on the next available Board Meeting agenda.

Agenda Item: Green Awards Nominations

Mindy Agnew gave an update on the Green Awards logistics for the ceremony being held at Village Hall on December 12, 2018 beginning at 7 p.m. Chairperson Nick Bridge will present the SolSmart Gold award to the Village of Oak Park, and Commissioner Bailey will present the awards to the winners.

Agenda Item: Pesticide free yard signs collaboration update

Chairperson Bridge shared that the previous pesticide-free yard signs the Environment and Energy Commission had ordered were all distributed to residents. If the EEC considers procuring more signs in collaboration with the Deep Roots project, a Commission request for expense may be prepared to present to the Board of Trustees for approval. Commissioners discussed including other possible 2019 work plan initiatives if any funding requests for materials were to move forward.

MOTION: A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Morales and Commissioner Judson seconds the motion. No further discussion. <u>Motion carries.</u> Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.